Smt. VIJAYA RAGHAVENDRA RAO. At what rate the machinery has been purchased ?

Sri K. F. PATIL.—The figure is Rs. 46,530 plus sales tax and cost of the building.

Smt. VIJAYA RAGHAVENDRA RAO.— How many tons the factory can manufacture ?

Sri K. F. PATIL.—It can manufacture three tons.

Steel required for the completion of Medical College Building at Hubli.

Q.—4114. Sri R. M. PATIL (Navalgund).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they are aware that the steel quota of about 800 tons besides the State steel quota, is required for the construction of buildings of the Karnatak Medical College at Hubli this year;

(*b*) whether they are aware of a representation made by the State Government in this behalf to the Ministry of Commerce and Industries, Government of India, through the Ministry of Health, Government of India, in the month of April 1957;

(*c*) the result of the same;

(*d*) whether they will pursue the matter and take steps for the efficient working of the said project before the end of the Plan period ?

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) Yes; but the total requirements are about 2,923 tons; annual requirements being 800 tons.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) In view of very acute supply position of steel in the country, it has not been possible to secure all the quantity required in spite of efforts made in that direction.

(*d*) Yes.

Sri R. M. PATIL.—What is the present position so far as supply of steel is concerned in respect of the college ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—The present position is, 1,243 tons of iron and steel have been supplied. It is more than sufficient for the current year.

Sri S. D. GAONKAR.—In view of the difficulties, will it be possible for the Government to complete this building ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—There are no difficulties. The Government of India has been pleased to supply sufficient quantity and there is no difficulty to complete this building within the scheduled time.

Death of Boy in the District Hospital Kolar, due to the negligence of the Doctor.

Q.—4182. Sri D. ABDUL RASHEED (Kolar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a boy by name "Shafiullah" died on the operation table in the District Hospital at Kolar on 27th March 1958;

(*b*) if so, whether they are aware that the death was due to the gross negligence of the doctor who was requested by the father of the boy to do a minor surgical work by way of circumsion of the boy;

(*c*) if so, the steps they propose to take against the doctor concerned;

(*d*) if not the reason therefor;

(*e*) whether they have received any representation from the father of the boy in this connection and if so, whether they have instituted an independent inquiry into the cause of the death;

(*f*) if so, the result of the enquiry;

(*g*) if not, the reasons therefor?

A.— Sri K. K. HEGDE (Minister for Health).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) and (*d*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*b*).

(*e*) and (*f*) The petition received from the father of the boy was referred to the Special Officer, Efficiency Audit, for enquiry and report. The boy was rather weak in health and had slight eczema and inflamed eye lids. The boy got convulsions when the sutures were